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A. Statement of Activity or Product

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Project objectives include educating the OHV public of riding areas in Alpine County and to reduce avalanche related fatality's. These could be measured by the number of reported intrusions in closed areas and the number of search and rescue incidents. OHV education will be based on Tread Lightly principles and Forest Service winter safety guidelines.

Radio, TV and newspaper outlets will be invited to cover the activities and report about avalanche awareness and safety.

B. Relation of Proposed Project to OHV Recreation

The proposed project relates to OHV recreation by providing information to the recreating public through the web, on maps, interpretive signs and through experiences shared at a field safety and avalanche awareness coarse.

This project will inform enthusiasts with information on legal riding areas, will reduce incursions in wilderness or closed areas, reduce resource damage and reduce search and rescue operations. Additionally, this information can improve dispersement of uses by identifying areas that may be difficult to find without a map. This will also provide a more diverse use of the forest and reduce user conflict.

The field course will provide avalanche awareness and winter safety for the participants. These products, along with the awareness coarse will enhance recreation opportunities.

C. Identification of Needs

The needs the project will address is providing information to ohv users about recreation areas in Alpine County, California. The project will improve forest visitor satisfaction, improve safety and backcountry travel, reduce user conflicts, and reduce search and rescue operations. This information will also address where open riding areas are and reduce trespass. These needs will be provided in the form of a web based map, paper map, interpretive signs and a training coarse. A Winter Recreation Plan has recently been adopted by the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, the goal now is to get the information out to the users.

D. Location of Training Services

The website will be on the Humboldt-Toiyabe National forest site. The informational signage will be located at existing trailheads and staging areas in eastern Alpine County including: Hope Valley Sno-park, Centerville Flat and Red Lake. Maps will be distributed widely though out the area. An avalanche awareness and winter safety coarse will be conducted in Hope Valley, in the area of Blue Lakes Road. Turtlerock Park may be used for the classroom portion of the training.

E. OHV Safety, Environmental Responsibility, and Respect Private Property

The proposed project teaches OHV safety by learning the basic skills of avalanche awareness and winter safety. The training will include learning about the types of avalanches, terrain, weather, how to dig a snow pit and perform a beacon search. This will be done through classroom and a field course.

Environmental responsibility will be taught through tread lightly principles on the website and information on the map. Teaching respect for private property will be accomplished through maps and pre-trip planning. Maps will show where private property boundaries are in relation to open areas.

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- 1 Optional Project-Specific Application Documents**
- 2 Optional Project-specific Maps**

Project Cost Estimate for Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program - 2008/2009
 Agency: Friends of Hope Valley
 Application: Education & Safety

6/2/2009

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APPLICANT NAME :	Friends of Hope Valley		
PROJECT TITLE :	Education & Safety	PROJECT NUMBER (Division use only) :	
PROJECT TYPE :	<input type="checkbox"/> Acquisition <input type="checkbox"/> Development <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education & Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Ground Operations <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Planning <input type="checkbox"/> Restoration		
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	Line Item	Qty	Rate	UOM	Grant Request	Match	Total
DIRECT EXPENSES							
Program Expenses							
1	Staff						
	Other-Project coordinator	30.000	250.000	DAY	0.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
	Technician	25.000	200.000	DAY	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
	Other-Web Master	10.000	251.000	DAY	0.00	2,510.00	2,510.00
	GIS Coordinator	5.000	300.000	DAY	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
	Other-Volunteers	20.000	150.000	DAY	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
	Other-Recreation Staff Officer	10.000	351.130	DAY	0.00	3,511.00	3,511.00
	Total for Staff				5,000.00	18,021.00	23,021.00
2	Contracts						

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	Line Item	Qty	Rate	UOM	Grant Request	Match	Total
	Other-Interpretive signs	6.000	1500.000	EA	9,000.00	0.00	9,000.00
	Other-Website Development	1.000	5000.000	EA	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
	Other-Print maps	15000.00 0	1.000	EA	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00
	Other-Avalanche coarse/trainer	2000.000	1.000		2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
	Total for Contracts				31,000.00	0.00	31,000.00
3	Materials / Supplies						
	Other-Training Materials	1.000	500.000	EA	500.00	0.00	500.00
4	Equipment Use Expenses						
5	Equipment Purchases						
6	Others						
7	Administrative Costs						
	Administrative Costs-Administrative Cost	20.000	250.000	DAY	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
	Total Program Expenses				36,500.00	23,021.00	59,521.00
	TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES				36,500.00	23,021.00	59,521.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES				36,500.00	23,021.00	59,521.00

Project Cost Summary for Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program - 2008/2009
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	Line Item	Grant Request	Match	Total	Narrative
DIRECT EXPENSES					
Program Expenses					
1	Staff	5,000.00	18,021.00	23,021.00	
2	Contracts	31,000.00	0.00	31,000.00	
3	Materials / Supplies	500.00	0.00	500.00	
4	Equipment Use Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	
5	Equipment Purchases	0.00	0.00	0.00	
6	Others	0.00	0.00	0.00	
7	Administrative Costs	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Total Program Expenses		36,500.00	23,021.00	59,521.00	
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ITEM 1 and ITEM 2

ITEM 1

- a. ITEM 1 - Has a CEQA Notice of Determination (NOD) been filed for the Project? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(Please select Yes or No)

ITEM 2

- b. ITEM 2 - Are the proposed activities a "Project" under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(Please select Yes or No)
- c. The Application is requesting funds solely for personnel and support to enforce OHV laws and ensure public safety. These activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. (Please select Yes or No) ☒ Yes ☐ No
- d. Other. Explain why proposed activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. DO NOT complete ITEMS 3 – 9

ITEM 3 - Impact of this Project on Wetlands

ITEM 4 - Cumulative Impacts of this Project

ITEM 5 - Soil Impacts

ITEM 6 - Damage to Scenic Resources

ITEM 7 - Hazardous Materials

Is the proposed Project Area located on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code (hazardous materials)? (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

If YES, describe the location of the hazard relative to the Project site, the level of hazard and the measures to be taken to minimize or avoid the hazards.

ITEM 8 - Potential for Adverse Impacts to Historical or Cultural Resources

Would the proposed Project have potential for any substantial adverse impacts to historical or cultural resources? (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

If YES, describe the potential impacts and for any substantially adverse changes in the significance of historical or cultural resources and measures to be taken to minimize or avoid the impacts.

ITEM 9 - Indirect Significant Impacts

CEQA/NEPA Attachment

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1. Evaluation Criteria - Q 1.

The Applicant is applying for the following type of Project: (Check the one most appropriate.) (Please select one from list)

- ☒ Education – Applicants shall only respond to items 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11
☐ Safety – Applicants shall only respond to items 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 12, 13, 14, and 15

1. As calculated on the Project Cost Estimate, the percentage of the cost of the Project covered by the Applicant is 3

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ 76% or more (10 points) ☐ 51% - 75% (5 points)
☒ 26% - 50% (3 points) ☐ 25% (Match minimum) (No points)

2. Evaluation Criteria - Q 2.

2. For Applicant's OHV Grant Projects which reached the end of the Project performance period within the last two years, the percentage of all deliverables accomplished 2

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ 100% of Deliverable accomplished (5 points)
☐ 75% to 99% of Deliverables accomplished (3 points)
☐ Less than 75% of Deliverables accomplished (No points)
☒ First time Applicants and past Applicants with no active Grant projects within the last two years (2 points)

3. Evaluation Criteria - Q 3. (FOR DIVISION USE ONLY)

3. Previous Year Performance 2

(FOR DIVISION USE ONLY) (Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ In the previous year the Applicant has been responsive and communicated effectively with the assigned OHMVR Grant Administrator by phone, email or personal visit (3 points)
☒ First time Applicants and past Applicants with no active Grant projects within the last two years (2 points)
☐ In the previous year the Applicant has not been responsive (No points)

4. Evaluation Criteria - Q 4.

4. The Project will utilize partnerships to successfully accomplish the Project. The number of partner organizations that will participate in the Project are 4

(Check the one most appropriate.) (Please select one from list)

- ☒ 4 or more (4 points) ☐ 2 to 3 (2 points)
☐ 1 (1 point) ☐ None (No points)

List partner organization(s)

Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest
Alpine County
Hope Valley Outdoors
Snowlands Network

5. Evaluation Criteria - Q 5.

5. The Project addresses the following types of OHV Recreation 5

(Check all that apply.) Scoring: 1 point each (Please select applicable values)

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ATV | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4X4 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> M.C. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recreation Utility Vehicle (RUV) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Snowmobile | <input type="checkbox"/> Dune buggy, rail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) | |

6. Evaluation Criteria - Q 6.

6. The Project was developed with public input employing the following 2

(Check all that apply) Scoring: 1 point each, up to a maximum of 2 points (Please select applicable values)

- ☒ Meeting(s) with the general public to discuss Project (1 point)
☐ Conference call(s) with interested parties (1 point)
☒ Meeting(s) with stakeholders (1 point)

Explain each statement that was checked

Stakeholder meetings were held on the Alpine Winter Recreation project development at Turtle Rock Park in Alpine County.

Public scoping letters and the notice of proposed action was sent to interested public.

The AWRP was presented to the Alpine County Board of Supervisors, the meeting was open to the general public.

The project was also announced in the local newspapers.

7. Evaluation Criteria - Q 7. (Education Project ONLY)

7. The Project incorporates the following, clearly identifiable and/or measurable, elements 8

(Check all that apply) (Please select applicable values)

- ☐ Process of researching issues and audience (2 points)
☒ Objectives (2 points)
☒ Testing process to ensure actions are effective (2 points)
☒ Plan to implement the Project (2 points)
☒ Evaluation and feedback of the process (2 points)

8. Evaluation Criteria - Q 8. (Education Project ONLY)

8. Total number of points of contact the Project is anticipated to reach 4

(Check the one most appropriate.) (Please select one from list)

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> Greater than 10,000 (4 points) | <input type="radio"/> 1,000 to 10,000 (3 points) |
| <input type="radio"/> 100 to 1,000 (2 points) | <input type="radio"/> 20 to 100 (1 point) |
| <input type="radio"/> 0 to 20 (No points) | |

9. Evaluation Criteria - Q 9. (Education Project ONLY)

9. Total time a participant will have exposure to the Project's message or training 4

(Check the one item of highest point value that applies.) (Please select one from list)

- ☒ Greater than 2 hours (4 points)
☐ 1 hour to 2 hours (3 points)
☐ 5 minutes to less than 1 hour (2 points)
☐ 1 minute to less than 5 minutes (A Project for maps will fall under this category) (1 point)
☐ Less than 1 minute (No points)

10. Evaluation Criteria - Q 10. (Education Project ONLY)

10. The Project will utilize the following methods of education 14

(Check all that apply) Scoring: 2 point each up to a maximum of 14 points (Please select applicable values)

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hands on training | <input type="checkbox"/> Tool kits |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Handouts | <input type="checkbox"/> Events |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Internet messaging/CDs | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Signage |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advertising | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Radio/TV |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community involvement | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public relations/media | |

11. Evaluation Criteria - Q 11. (Education Project ONLY)

11. The Project provides direct support for delivery of ATV Safety Institute and/or Motorcycle Safety Foundation training 0

(Check the one most appropriate.) (Please select one from list)

- ☒ No (No points) ☐ Yes (2 points)

12. Evaluation Criteria - Q 12. & 13. (Safety Project ONLY)

12. The Project will utilize personnel trained to the following level

(Check the one most appropriate.) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ Emergency Medical Technician level, or higher (5 points) ☐ First Responder level (2 points)
- ☐ First Aid and CPR (1 points) ☐ No training (No points)

13. The Project will provide search and rescue as follows

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ 24 hours, 7 days per week (5 points) ☐ Less than 24 hours, 7 days per week (4 points)
- ☐ Less than 24 hours, less than 7 days per week (2 points) ☐ On special occasions/events only (No points)

13. Evaluation Criteria - Q 14. (Safety Project ONLY)

14. The Project will have the majority of personnel trained in the following areas

(Check all that apply) Scoring: 2 points each up to a maximum of 16 points (Please select applicable values)

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Radio communication | <input type="checkbox"/> Tracking skills |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Avalanche rescue | <input type="checkbox"/> Navigation training |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Swift water rescue | <input type="checkbox"/> ATV certification |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dog handling | <input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycle certification |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rope skills | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 x 4/Off-Road training |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wilderness search and rescue | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |

14. Evaluation Criteria - Q 15. (Safety Project ONLY)

15. The Project will have resources that are equipped and trained for rescue in the following environmental conditions*

(Check all that apply) (Please select applicable values)

- ☐ Type 1 – Extreme Condition (including but not limited to): Altitude (generally 7000 feet+) or Snow, Ice, Desert, Heat, Heavy ground cover, Steep difficult terrain. (2 points)
- ☐ Type 2 – Rugged Terrain. Rugged conditions, Altitude (generally under 7000 feet), Heat, Cold concerns,

Moderate to heavy ground cover. (2 points)

- ☐ Type 3 – Moderate/Gentle Terrain. Gently rolling terrain, Open spaces, Maintained trailheads, and Agricultural areas. (2 points)
- ☐ Type 4 – Urban. High traffic, Urban office complexes, man-made surfaces, Public interaction and Park trails. (2 points)

*** From the Governor's Office of Emergency Services – Mutual Aid Guidelines, Search and Rescue, Off-Highway Vehicles**